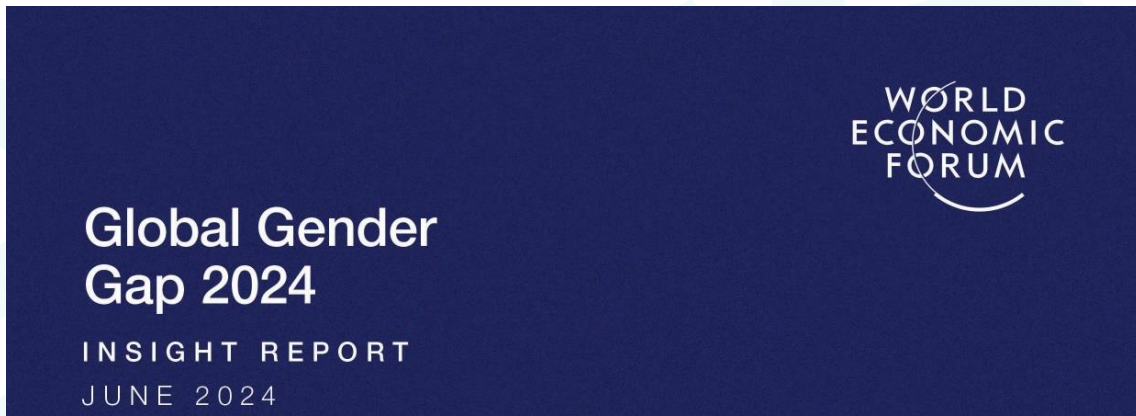


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Global Gender Gap Report, 2024



The World Economic Forum has recently launched the eighteenth edition of the Global Gender Gap Report 2024, which has been issued annually since 2006. The report provides a tool for investigating the gender gap in a number of economic, political, health, and educational fields through a composite indicator of this gap globally.

The launch of this report in Egypt comes in cooperation with the Egyptian Center for Economic Studies, the sole research partner of the WEF in Egypt.

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This year's report includes 146 countries, aiming to evaluate the progress these countries have made in closing the gender gap through a fixed annual measure known as the Global Gender Parity Index, which measures the current situation and evolution of parity between men and women across different countries and regions through four sub-indices of four main dimensions: Economic participation and opportunity, educational attainment, health and survival, and political empowerment.

The level of progress toward gender parity (the parity score) for each indicator is calculated as the ratio of the value of each indicator for women to the value for men. A parity score of 1 indicates full parity. The gender gap is the distance from full parity.

The following is a summary of the report's most important findings on the gender gap at the global and regional levels, and the extent of its evolution in Egypt.

I. Key Developments in the Gender Gap at the Global and Regional Levels

- The global gender gap score in 2024 for all 146 countries included in this edition stands at 68.5%, a negligible improvement over last year (68.4%).
- Despite the improvement witnessed in previous years, it remained stable during the last five years at an underwhelming rate.
- Among the 146 economies covered in the 2024 index, the Health and Survival gender gap has closed by 96% similarly to last year, the Educational Attainment gap by 94.9% with a slight decline from last year (95.2%), the Economic Participation and Opportunity gap by 60.5% with a slight improvement from 2023 (60.1%), and the Political Empowerment gap by 22.5%, a slight improvement over last year (22.1%).
- At this rate of progress during 2006-2024, economies will achieve global gender parity in 134 years in the four dimensions.

- Most of this progress is attributed to the slight improvement in women's participation in labor markets and their access to senior leadership positions.
- While no country has yet achieved full gender parity, European countries were able to close the gender gap by 75%, while this percentage remains at 61.7% in the Middle East and North Africa region, which includes Egypt, but despite this, the region has achieved a significant improvement since 2006 by 5.2% compared to other regions.

II. Evolution of the Gender Gap in Egypt

- Egypt achieved a gender parity score of 62.9%, thus ranking 135th among the 146 countries included in this year's report, and ranked 10th in the Middle East region, with a slight improvement of 0.3 percentage points over the level it achieved in 2023 (62.6%).
- This slight improvement is mainly driven by the percentage of closing the gap in **Educational Attainment**, which rose from 94.3% in 2023 to 96.3% this year, which is attributed to the increase in the literacy rate to 86.2% from 85.5% in 2023.
- The **Economic Participation and Opportunities** available to women witnessed a slight improvement from 14.1% in 2023 to 16.1% this year. Overall, the percentage of improvement in the aforementioned dimensions was negligible compared to last year.

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